

Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1 – 16 (cancelled)

Claim 17 (currently amended) A moving-picture scanning-type conversion apparatus comprising:

 a scanning-type setter to set a scanning type for each ~~picture-portion~~ frame of an interlaced moving picture incoming at a given ~~picture~~ frame rate, in accordance with motion activity of the incoming moving picture, wherein the scanning rate is set to interlaced scanning when an average value of the motion activity for each frame is equal to or larger than a predetermined value whereas the scanning type is set to progressive scanning when the average value is smaller than the predetermined value;

 a converter to convert the incoming interlaced moving picture into a progressive moving picture at a ~~picture~~ frame rate that is ~~half~~ equal to the given ~~picture~~ frame rate; and

 a switch to switch the incoming interlaced moving picture and the progressive moving picture for each ~~picture-portion~~ frame in accordance with the set scanning type.

Claims 18 – 20 (cancelled)

Claim 21 (currently amended) A moving-picture scanning-type conversion method comprising the steps of:

 setting a scanning type for each ~~picture-portion~~ frame of an interlaced moving picture incoming at a given ~~picture~~ frame rate, in accordance with motion activity of the incoming moving picture, wherein the scanning type is set to interlaced scanning when an average value of the motion activity for each frame is equal to or larger than a

predetermined value whereas the scanning type is set to progressive scanning when the average value is smaller than the predetermined value;

converting the incoming interlaced moving picture into a progressive moving picture at a ~~picture frame~~ frame rate that is ~~half~~ equal to the given ~~picture frame~~ frame rate; and

switching the incoming interlaced moving picture and the progressive moving picture for each ~~picture portion~~ frame in accordance with the set scanning type.

Claims 22 – 24 (cancelled)